

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
Hidekazu MORI et al.

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For: BINDER FOR ELECTRIC DOUBLE LAYER
CAPACITOR ELECTRODE

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.182

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 USC 371 dated March 22, 2007, this is a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. §1.182.

Applicants now explain the history of this application and the purpose of this Petition.

During prosecution of the parent PCT application, PCT/JP2004/015600, one of the coinventors, Ms. Mayumi Fukumine had her name legally changed under Japanese law:

from

Ms. Mayumi Kaneko

to

Ms. Mayumi Fukumine.

This change was not documented during prosecution of the PCT application.

The application entered the US national phase under 371 and an original Declaration was filed wherein the name "Mayumi Kaneko" was crossed out and the replaced with "Mayumi Fukumine."

During a telephone call (on May 17, 2007) between Mr. Leonard Smith of the PCT Legal Administration Branch at the PTO and Applicants' representative, Garth M. Dahlen, Ph.D., Esq. (#43,575), Mr. Smith indicated that the filed original Declaration was "defective," and as such, could serve no legal purpose. Mr. Smith indicated that Applicants would have to file the following items: 1) a new original Declaration signed by all four inventors; 2) a statement by Ms. Mayumi Fukumine that her name had been legally changed; 3) a Rule 182 Petition to request entry of the Declaration; and 4) the petition fee. This fact was confirmed during a second telephone call to Mr. Smith on May 21, 2007 by Mr. Robert Webster.

Applicants submit herewith a new original Declaration signed by all four inventors, a statement by Ms. Mayumi Fukumine that her name had been legally changed, and the petition fee.

Applicants respectfully submit this Petition to request entry of the attached new original Declaration signed by all four inventors.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for

any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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